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5 1. ~~A method for using an input device to control information displayed on a display device having a first window that displays information from a main computer and a second window that displays information from a remote computer, comprising:~~

~~controlling and manipulating information displayed in the first window using the input device and the main computer; and~~

~~controlling and manipulating information displayed in the second window using the input device and the remote computer;~~

10 ~~wherein the input device is connected to the main computer.~~

2. The method of claim 1, wherein the input device controls a cursor on the display device to control and manipulate displayed information.

15 3. The method of claim 1, wherein the main computer and the remote computer are connected by a network.

20 4. The method of claim 1, wherein the display device is a picture within a picture display device and the first window is a main window and the second window is a picture within a picture window.

25 5. The method of claim 2, wherein the cursor is located in the second window and a movement signal from the input device is sent from the remote computer to the second window.

6. The method of claim 5, wherein sending the movement signal further comprises transmitting the movement signal over a network connecting the main computer and the remote computer.

30 7. The method of claim 2, wherein a user can use the input device to move the cursor between the first window and the second window.

8. The method of claim 7, wherein information displayed on the display device may be cut and pasted between the first window and the second window.

9. ~~The method of claim 8, further comprising storing cut and paste data in a common memory buffer.~~

5 10. A method for controlling a cursor on a picture within a picture display device having a main window and a picture within a picture window, comprising:
 connecting a first computer to the main window and a second computer to the picture within a picture window; and
 using an input device connected to the first computer to move the cursor
 10 in both the main window and the picture within a picture window.

11. The method of claim 10, further comprising determining in which window the cursor is located.

15 12. The method of claim 11, further comprising sending a movement signal from the input device to the window where the cursor is located.

20 13. A picture within a picture control system for moving a cursor on a picture within a picture display device, comprising:

a first computer having an input device and connected to the picture within a picture display device;

a second computer having second input devices and connected to the picture within a picture display device;

25 a first window on the picture within a picture display device for displaying data from the first computer;

a second window on the picture within a picture display device for displaying data from the second computer; and

30 a picture within a picture control module residing on the first and the second computer that allows the input device to move the cursor within the first window and the second window.

14. The picture within a picture control system of claim 13, wherein the picture within a picture control module on the first computer sends a movement signal from the input device to the first window when the cursor is located in the first window.

15. The picture within a picture control system of claim 13, wherein the picture within a picture control module on the first computer sends a movement signal from the input device to the second window when the cursor is located in the second window.

16. The picture within a picture control system of claim 15, further comprising a network allowing communication between the first computer and the second computer and wherein the movement signal is sent over the network.

17. The picture within a picture control system of claim 13, further including a common memory buffer within the picture within a picture control module.

18. ~~A method of editing data from a first and a second computer systems, the data from the first and second computer systems being displayed on one monitor, the method comprising:~~

~~connecting the monitor to the first computer system via a first input connector;~~
~~connecting the monitor to the second computer system via a second input connector; and~~
~~editing data from the first computer system using an input device connected to the second computer system.~~